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Dear Mr. Schaffer:

Thank you for your letter of September 1, 1993, which contained additional information about the solid "resist" waste filtered from the stripper module at Litton Advanced Circuitry. Based on the information in your August 7, 1993, and September 1, 1993, letters, it appears that the "resist" waste is not hazardous waste. It appears from your description of the process that the "resist" stripper module is a process unit rather than a waste water treatment unit. Since the "resist" waste is filtered and removed from the stripper module separately from the wastewater treatment process, it does not appear to be a wastewater treatment sludge. On this basis, the Hazardous Waste Program would not consider the "resist" waste removed from the stripper module an F006 hazardous wastewater treatment sludge. Also, if the "resist" waste does not fail the analysis for any hazardous characteristic, then it would not be a characteristic hazardous waste.

Please note that the above discussion is guidance on characterization of the "resist" waste stream based solely on the information you have provided in your August 7, 1993, and September 1, 1993, letters to this office. 10 CSR 25-5.262(1) incorporating by reference 40 CFR 262.11 places the responsibility for determining whether solid wastes are hazardous wastes on the generator of the wastes? "If information obtained in the future reveals that the "resist" waste is in fact hazardous hazardous waste, the guidance in this letter shall not preclude the department from initiating enforcement action for failure of Litton Advanced Circuitry to make a proper hazardous waste the copy determination on the "resist" waste.

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Please feel free to contact me or my staff if you have any questions in the future.

Sincerely,

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